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## WAH SHAN CASE

### TRIAL OF CHINESE OFFICERS.

#### DECISION OPPOSED.

Now reaches us from Canton regarding the trial of a number of men, alleged to be Chinese military officers, who were placed under arrest early in September on being discovered aboard the steamer Wah Shan, which was seized whilst on her way from Kwang Chow Wan to Hongkong with a cargo of livestock.

The vessel, it will be remembered, was seized by armed launches off Yeungkong, on the ground that she was carrying foodstuffs to Hongkong, in contravention of the boycott regulations, and was taken to Canton, where she has remained ever since. Aboard the boat were found some thirty passengers, who were alleged to be military officers. These men were detained and have only recently been brought to trial.

At the trial, which took place before a Special Criminal Court, it was stated that the detained men had been found to be officers discharged from the army of General Tang Sing-suen, who was shot by General Tang Poon-yan for having been in collusion with the Canton Government.

Judge Loo Hing-yeun, in his decision, stated that as these officers were enemies of General Tang Poon-yan, they were not guilty of any crime, either from the military or political point of view, and he recommended the Government to release them at an early date. The Strike Union, however, is opposing this decision, on the ground that the men were suspected of supplying foodstuffs to Hongkong, and should therefore be detained until the strike and boycott are settled. That is the position as it now stands, the men still being held in custody.

The s. s. Wah Shan is a vessel about 300 tons, normally employed on the run between Hongkong, Macao and Kwang Chow Wan, her local agents being Messrs. Sui Lee. It was whilst on a trip from the last-named port to Hongkong in September, carrying a large consignment of livestock and some 20,000 in subsidiary coins, that she was held up by three armed launches and two gunboats off Yeungkong and taken to Canton.

## HUNAN AND CANTON.

### TUPAN MAKES OVERTURES.

A report from Canton states that Ho Heung-ti, Tupan of Hunan, has made overtures to the Canton Government through Tan Yin-kai in an alliance.

For the past three years, since assuming of the tupsanhip by Ho Heung-ti, Hunan province has been quite free from the entanglements of political movements, but in view of the developments up North, and of the great pressure of the Kuomintang, he had reconsidered his own position and stated that he had adopted a policy to fit in with present circumstances. If a favourable reply is received from Tan Yin-kai, a formal representative will be deputed to negotiate with the

## DEMANDING MONEY.

### TWO CHINESE REMANDED.

At the Central Police Court this morning, two Chinese were charged with demanding money by menace.

Mr. M. W. Le, who represented one of the defendants, asked for a remand, saying that he had only been instructed this morning.

A remand was granted until Wednesday afternoon, next week, but bail was refused.

## ATTACK FAILS.

### KUO SUNG-LING SUFFERS SET-BACK.

#### CHIANG'S SUCCESS.

Shanghai, Dec. 23.

A Japanese report from Mukden states that General Kuo Sung-ling's main attack against General Chang Tso-ling was launched last night, but failed.

The troops of Kuo Sung-ling are now retreating towards Hsianminfu.—*Reuter.*

#### PROTECTION FOR JAPANESE.

Tokyo, Dec. 23.

The Foreign Office says that news from Hsianminfu show that Kuo Sung-ling's troops are affording Japanese residents full protection, and Japanese shops at Hsianminfu are reopening.—*Reuter.*

#### GENERAL LI RETREATS.

Shanghai, Dec. 24.

A wireless message from Tientsin, dated yesterday, states that General Li Ching-ling has again retreated almost to the city limits, where he desperately rallied his forces. He subsequently advanced towards Peking for about three miles.

#### SET-BACK FOR GENERAL KUO.

Tokyo, Dec. 24.

A message from Mukden says the Fengtien troops have recaptured Paikipo, the forces of General Kuo Sung-ling retreating and leaving their guns and munitions behind.

Consular reports indicate that General Kuo has received a serious set-back, whilst Marshal Chang Tso-ling has made a wide advance.—*Reuter.*

## KOWLOON SHOOTING.

### HOUSE COOLIE SENTENCED.

Capt. Joll's house coolie, who was arrested together with two other house servants in Chatham Road on the night of November 13, was sentenced to two months' hard labour, by Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, on charges of assembling together with others, without lawful excuse, and of being found loitering, there being reasonable suspicions that they had committed or intended to commit a felony.

The defendant, who was arraigned on a summary charge, had been several times remanded pending the trial at the Criminal Sessions of the other two men, who were sentenced to nine months' hard labour this present week.

His Worship imposed sentence of two months on each charge, the terms to date back to the day of the defendant's arrest and to run concurrently.

## FRENCH FINANCES.

### LATEST DEVELOPMENTS.

Paris, Dec. 23.

M. Doumer will to-morrow lay before the bureau of the Chambers his financial propositions.

The Chamber has suppressed the credits for officers of the complement.

M. Painleve declares that the scheme for re-organisation of the Army will include provisions for calling up of reserves and that he will ask for fresh credits.

## PAKHOI OUTRAGE

### BRITISH PREMISES RANSACKED.

#### THREE-DAY SEARCH.

News of startling happenings at Pakhoi, during which the business premises of Mr. G. E. Bell, a British subject, were searched by pickets, and Mr. Bell and his son were compelled to sign a document promising to leave the port and not return to Chinese territory, reach us by the mail which came to hand yesterday.

Mr. Bell is the head of Messrs. G. E. Bell and Son, general import and export merchants, and he has resided at Pakhoi for more than a quarter of a century. The trouble apparently commenced on the 14th inst., at about 11 a.m., when armed Chinese soldiers surrounded the premises. At 3 p.m. on the same day, a Chinese document was sent, through the French Consul, Dr. Guillon (there being no British Consul at the port) from the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs, asking Mr. Bell and his son to call on the latter at his office. Replying through the same quarter, Mr. Bell stated that compliance with the request would be contrary to orders from the British authorities in China, but adding that he would be pleased to welcome the Commissioner or his representatives at his (Mr. Bell's) offices. Shortly after this, a search party of pickets, together with a number of police officials and armed troops, visited the premises, stating that they had information that a large quantity of opium and contraband goods was concealed in the building. As a matter of fact, the only firearms possessed by the firm comprised four smooth-bore sporting guns, two small pocket weapons, an old rifle and a small supply of cartridges for each firearm. These were produced before the search commenced and permission had previously been granted for their possession. Mr. Bell offered to show the permits, but they would not look at them.

The search lasted for three days and during that period a representative of the French Consul was present for the purpose of observing what was taking place. During these three days, Mr. Bell and his son were sometimes permitted to leave the premises for the purposes of visiting the Consul and others, but on several occasions they were not permitted to go outside the premises when they wished. They were often subjected to a personal search as also were the wives of Mr. Bell and his son. As the search progressed the number of pickets increased and at one time there were as many as sixty counted on the premises, including unarmed pickets, armed police and soldiers. The search was carried out in the most thorough manner and even the smallest boxes and packages were opened up. When the task was at length completed, the premises were left in a state of absolute confusion, and on departing, two female servants and one male servant were taken to the police station where they were still confined when the mail left.

#### PROPERTY STOLEN.

Mr. Bell complains that during the search some of his goods were stolen. On one occasion he made a complaint to this effect to the officer who lined up the soldiers and asked him to search them, saying that he would shoot on the spot any soldier on whom stolen property was found. Mr. Bell, however, declined to make a personal search. Later, a well-known business man of the town expected to leave by steamer to-

## SHOPLIFTING CASE.

### RUSSIAN WOMEN AGAIN REMANDED.

Remanded for twenty-four hours yesterday, the two Russian women, Maria Samoiloff and Tamara Loskoff, who are charged with the larceny of four rolls of silk valued at \$475 from the premises of the Wing On Company, again appeared at the Central Police Court this morning, when a further remand was asked for.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ, who is being instructed for the defence, was unable to attend, and Sgt. Meadows said the defence were asking for a further remand until Monday.

A remand was granted and \$100 was allowed in the sum of \$100 each.

## GERMAN AVIATION.

### ALL SERVICES SUSPENDED.

Berlin, Dec. 23.

All aerial services, including postal services, are temporarily suspended. Representatives of twenty-three Companies held a meeting here yesterday in order to bring about a fusion of all the enterprises.—*Indopacific.*

premises, had been offered to him by soldiers for \$70.

On the afternoon of the 15th, the Commissioner for Foreign Affairs ordered Mr. Bell and his son to pack up their valuables, hand the keys to their wives and proceed to the police station under an armed guard. Mr. Bell asked to be allowed to consult the French Consul and, on doing so, the latter took the matter up with the Commissioner with the result that the order was withdrawn. On the following day, another dispatch was sent to the French Consul asking him immediately to hand over to the police Mr. Bell and his son, who by that time had removed to the French Consulate where they were joined by their wives who took with them some of their personal effects. This order was not complied with and on the 17th instant the Commissioner sent another dispatch to the Consul stating that Mr. Bell and his son must leave Pakhoi by the first available steamer and sign an order that they would not return to Chinese territory. This order was duly signed and Mr. Bell and his son have since left the port.

Mr. Bell adds that the ground on which his premises stand was purchased by him 26 years ago and, with the buildings, is worth from \$25,000 to \$30,000.

The incidents, as reported above, are in accordance with a written statement made by Mr. Bell and his son to the British Consul at Kiangchow.

#### ANOTHER VERSION.

Another correspondent, explaining the occurrence, says:—In July last, considerable adverse feeling was shown by the Chinese towards two British subjects—G. E. Bell, Senior and Junior. Recently some charges were made against them in respect of contraband sold to be stored in their godown. The police asked permission, through the Deputy for Foreign Affairs, to search the premises of the Bells. In the absence of a resident British Consul, the Deputy wrote to the French Consul on the matter, and the latter most considerably sent his representative to the house while the search was being carried out. Although nothing material was discovered on the premises the Chinese authorities insisted that the Bells, with their families, must leave the port. During the last day or two, while waiting for a steamer, the Consul for France has afforded the Bells every assistance within his power. He has sheltered them in his compound, and taken infinite pains to see that no harsh treatment is meted out to these people who, at this juncture, rely upon him entirely. In the meantime the house belonging to the Bells is to be sealed up. The party expect to leave by steamer to-

## MURDER TRIAL.

### SEARCHING EXAMINATION OF INSPECTOR.

#### BOY'S DETENTION.

The hearing was resumed before the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan) at the Criminal Sessions, this morning, of the case in which Shing Wai-tat was charged with the murder of an Indian constable which occurred following upon an encounter between a police picket and a gang of firewood hunters at Ngau Shi-wan, in the Kowloon City district, on the 8th of July last.

The prosecution was this morning conducted by the Crown Solicitor, Mr. Whyte Smith, while Mr. Elsiey Zeitlyn (instructed by Mr. G. K. Brutton Hall) appeared for the defence.

Mr. Zeitlyn resumed his cross-examination of Inspector Brewer, the Station Inspector of Kowloon City. The witness said the statement appearing in the statement book (produced) by the prisoner's son was in witness' handwriting. What he wrote down was what had been told him by the station interpreter in answer to questions put to the boy through the interpreter.

Mr. Zeitlyn:—I notice, Inspector, that there are words crossed out. But whom was that done?—By myself.

Why?—That was just a rough book. It was typed out later.

The name of the boy is given as Shing Yu-yip, 16 years of age, schoolboy?—Yes.

I just want to ask you—I was not signed by the boy in any way?—Yes.

Questioned in regard to a statement made in a different case recorded in the same book, witness said that the characters at the foot represented the signature of the person making the statement in that case.

Mr. Zeitlyn read the statement said to have been made by the boy. This was that he lived with his parents at Ping Shek village, and that the last time he saw his father was on the 7th, when the latter, who was a Christian, was reading his Bible. On the morning of the 8th instant, his father went out to cut wood, he understood, and he himself went to school. On returning from school mother (the word "father" had been crossed out in the statement) told him that a man named Tsang Hang-kwan, who lived at Nam Wai village, had been to their house at Hei Ping village (the word "come" had been also crossed out and replaced by "been"), that morning and informed her that his father had shot an Indian constable who was trying to arrest him for cutting wood, and that he was in hiding in this man's house at Nam Wai. This man also said that before this he had been hiding on the hillside.

Mr. Zeitlyn, resuming his cross-examination of the witness, asked him if he went to see the man, Tsang Hang-kwan.

Inspector Brewer replied that he did not go. Nam Wai village was an hour's walk from Hei Ping village. He believed that the prisoner did go to Tsang's house.

Why did you strike the words "had come to the house"?—I do not know the reason why.

Inspector, may I ask you this? The question you put to this schoolboy starts with the statement that the last time he saw his father was when he was reading his Bible. Just tell us how you put the first question.—Where was your father on the night in question, the 7th July. What were you doing?

Is that all?—That is all.

Now, Inspector, was this statement taken at one sitting?—Yes.

After the statement, was the boy looked in his cell?—He was put in the cell.

LOOKED IN CELL.

Was he locked in the cell?—I

## MOROCCO'S TOLL.

### FRENCH CASUALTY LISTS.

Paris, Dec. 23.

During the Chamber debate on the estimates of the Ministry of War, the Under-Secretary of War announced that the French losses in Morocco since the beginning of the year were 2,610 killed and 7,552 wounded, as well as 1,220 missing, of whom 920 killed, 2,052 wounded, and 249 missing, were Frenchmen.—*Reuter.*

## SAD CHRISTMAS.

### DISTRESSING TRAGEDIES IN AMERICA.

#### PANIC AT PARTY.

New York, Dec. 23.

Distressing accidents to children have cast a gloom over the Yuletide celebrations. There was a panic at a Christmas present distribution, owing to a seat breaking, at Erie, Pennsylvania, and the children rushed to the exit. Three were trampled to death and seven injured. When order was restored the floor was found covered with broken toys.

A mother left her three little children at home in Buffalo, while she went Christmas shopping. When she returned she found the children suffocated. They had procured matches and had set fire to a waste paper basket.—*Reuter's American Service.*

#### FIREMEN KILLED.

Waynesburg, Penn., Dec. 23.

Four volunteer firemen were killed and five injured as the result of a disastrous fire in the business district. Several buildings are destroyed and the damage is estimated at a million dollars.—*Reuter's American Service.*

#### COALMINE DISASTER.

Bellaire, Ohio, Dec. 23.

Nine are dead as the result of a fire last night at the Webb colliery. The fire is attributed to a short circuit. Seventy-nine men were temporarily imprisoned, but were later rescued.—*Reuter's American Service.*

## SYRIAN SITUATION.

### A BETTER OUTLOOK.

Paris, Dec. 23.

M. De Jouvenel, High Commissioner in Syria, has promised a general armistice to all the rebels who will return their arms within a fortnight.

In the region of Damascus, companies of soldiers move without interference all over the south-east part of the oasis. The situation is much improved.

For the third time in four days, the French High Commissioner is obliged to deny the news published by the Nauen service in regard to Syria. He says Homs is not closed and no French column has been ambushed. If the Nauen station desires correct news, the French High Commissioner will place it at their disposal, avoiding thereby the necessity of relying on Baghdad for information.—*Indopacific.*

## REPLY TO LOCARNO.

### THE RUSSO-TURKISH TREATY.

Berlin, Dec. 23.

The Soviet press in Russia publishes the Treaty of Neutrality signed at Paris on the 17th December by M. Chicherin and Rushdi Bey. The official Turkish journal declares that this agreement is the work of Turkish and Russian

## THE BOYCOTT.

### STILL OPERATING AT PAKHOI.

#### GOODS SEIZED.

Our Pakhoi correspondent, writing under date of December 16th, states that on the 12th the steamer Luk Sun brought 5,000 cases of kerosene and some other cargo from Hongkong. As the boat had started for this port before the date when the embargo against British goods was enforced, an arrangement was made by which she was permitted to discharge her cargo. The following day the Amakusa Maru arrived from Hongkong without cargo. The 4-ck passengers had with them goods stated to be valued at \$2,000, and these goods were confiscated.

#### SHOP ROBBERY.

A few days ago a man visited one of the principal shops in the town and asked to be shown some goods. He stayed some time in the shop, and during that time took occasion to walk through to the far end of the premises. He repeated this performance the following day, and was then accompanied by his wife. The morning after, the manager of the shop discovered that goods to the value of some \$300 were missing. A cap was picked up in the rear of the shop and recognized as one worn by the recent would-be purchaser. The man had evidently hidden himself when the shop was shut up for the night, and then, by the aid of accomplices, got away with the goods. The employees were sent to various centres to watch, and located their man at one of the pawnshops. He "came quietly" back to the shop, and admitted his guilt, but said he had handed the goods to his wife. The wife was brought along, and stoutly denied complicity in the crime. The couple were then handed over to the police. The outcome of the robbery (up to the present) is that the bulk of the stolen property was traced to a certain "receiver" at Linchow, who has made restitution, partly in goods and partly in money. Some of those concerned in the actual robbery have been arrested, and are to be brought for trial.

#### POSTAL RATES.

A short time ago we were informed that the letter postage to "domestic" places in China had been raised from three to four cents. Although no notification cancelling this increase has been issued, the Post Office will accept letters for "domestic" places with a three cent stamp attached. This applies to Post Offices in Kwangtung only. The explanation of this appears to be that the Canton Government wishes to regulate its own postal rates.

## HAINAN EXPEDITION.

### CHANGE IN COMMAND.

With regard to the coming naval expedition against Hainan Island, it is reported that the Canton Government is considering giving the command to Ow Yang-lum, as Chan Chak, who was previously reported to have been appointed, is a much junior officer in the Naval Service both in rank and in service, in addition to which the duties of his present post will not permit him to leave it.

It is said that the ships of the squadron are being replenished with a fresh supply of ammunition. As to the date of departure, it is



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## THE NORTHERN WAR.

### TIENTSIN REPORTED CAPTURED.

Peking, Dec. 23. Feng Yu-hsiang's troops claim the capture of Tientsin, but confirmation is lacking, though it is evident they have penetrated the defending front, which is under Li Ching-lin, a supporter of Chang Tso-lin.—*Reuter*.

Shanghai, Dec. 23. General Feng Yu-hsiang's forces defeated the army of General Li Ching-lin and entered Tientsin on the night of 22nd inst.

The foreign residents in Tientsin have organised a "Volunteers' Corps" for the protection of the foreign settlement in order to prevent the intrusion of the troops of General Li Ching-lin.—*Wah Kiu Yat Po*.

### To Disarm Retreating Troops.

Tokyo, Dec. 23.

The Foreign Office has received a message from Mukden that Kuo Sung-jing is expected to completely defeat Chang Tso-lin in a few days, whereupon the Japanese troops contemplate turning over the city to him. If Chang's retreating soldiers appear in Mukden they will be disarmed at the Japanese to the six mile zone.

The Japanese are at present evacuating the Western Epit, but it is not expected that the retreating troops will object to disarmament.

The Foreign Office has reiterated that the Japanese will evacuate Mukden as soon as there is no danger of further fighting and as soon as a stable government is assured.—*Reuter*.

Tokyo, Dec. 23.

A report from Mukden says that Chang Tso-lin yesterday morning assembled his leading supporters and made a farewell speech, stating the reports from the front indicated that the enemy had just opened a decisive attack. He said that if the Mukdenites were defeated, he will take refuge elsewhere, and expressed the hope that U. S. Senator Wang, General Yang Yu-ling and Governor Wang of Mukden province would follow him, while the other civil and military officials should remain in Mukden and endeavour to maintain peace and good order.—*Reuter*.

## SEAMEN'S INSTITUTE.

### LAST NIGHT'S DANCE.

French Admiral and Consul Present.

There was a very big gathering at a dance held at the Seamen's Institute last night, arranged by the Rev. G. T. Waldegrave and the members of the Committee of the Seamen's Institute, assisted by the Entertainment Committee of H.M.S. Hawkins, in honour of the ship's company of the French flag-ship. The hall had been very prettily decorated for the occasion and special lighting had been introduced, all of which contributed to the great success of a most enjoyable evening.

Among those present were Rear Admiral M. Bastie, M. and Mme. de Courthial, the Bishop of Victoria, Capt. C. P. Talbot, D.S.O., R.N., Misses Holyoak, Mrs. Raymond Murray and many members of the French community of the Colony. Upon the arrival of the Admiral and the French Consul the French National anthem was played, dancing ceasing meanwhile.

P. O. Tilbury efficiently officiated as M.C. and H.M.S. Hawkins' Dance Orchestra played a pleasing programme of dance music.

## AMERICA & RUBBER.

### PAYING THE PENALTY.

London, Dec. 23.

The *Financial News* ridicules the American accusations of British manipulation of the prices of rubber; recalls that not long ago American manufacturers were buying at less than cost and does not recollect any American protests at this. On the contrary, they hoped to purchase British plantations for a song. The Stevenson scheme was so constituted that Americans could have fitted requirements at reasonable rates, but they refused to recognise its inexorable functioning, and are now paying the penalty.—*Reuter*.  
St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon.—Christmas Day, 8.15 and 11 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 27. 8.15 Holy Communion; 11 a.m. Morning Prayers and Sermon. Anthem, "Rejoice in the Lord." 6 p.m. Christmas Carol Service and Organ Recital.

## PROPERTY SALE.

### CENTRAL SITE DISPOSED OF FOR \$40,200.

There was a poor attendance at the China Auction Rooms yesterday when a central leasehold site was put up for sale by Mr. E. V. M. de Sousa, and was knocked down to the Yu Hing Co. of 79 Bonham Strand West, for \$40,200.

The property consisted of Section A of Inland Lot No. 137, the Remaining Portion of Inland Lot No. 137, Section A of Inland Lot No. 1303, Section B of Inland Lot No. 1303 and the Remaining Portion of Inland Lot No. 1303, together with the messuages thereon known as Nos. 20 and 22 D'Aguilar Street and Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 Yan Shau Lane, containing a total area of 2716 square feet, or thereabouts, and held under two several Crown Leases for terms of 999 years at a Crown Rent of seventy-four dollars per annum.

Opening at \$40,200, with bids of \$200 acceptable, only one raise was registered and the lot knocked down as stated above.

## DRY-CLEANING.

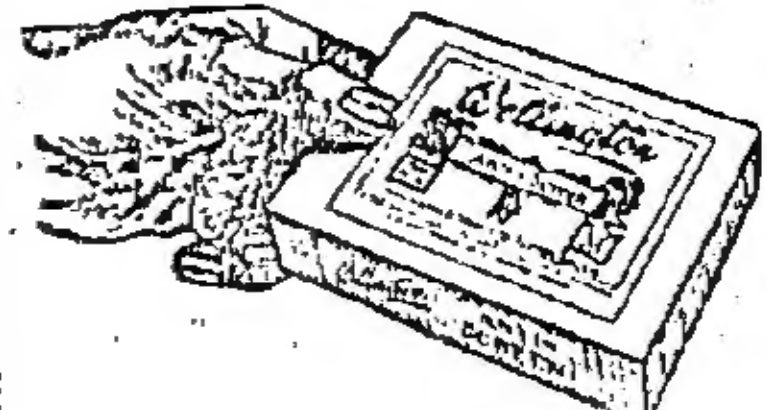
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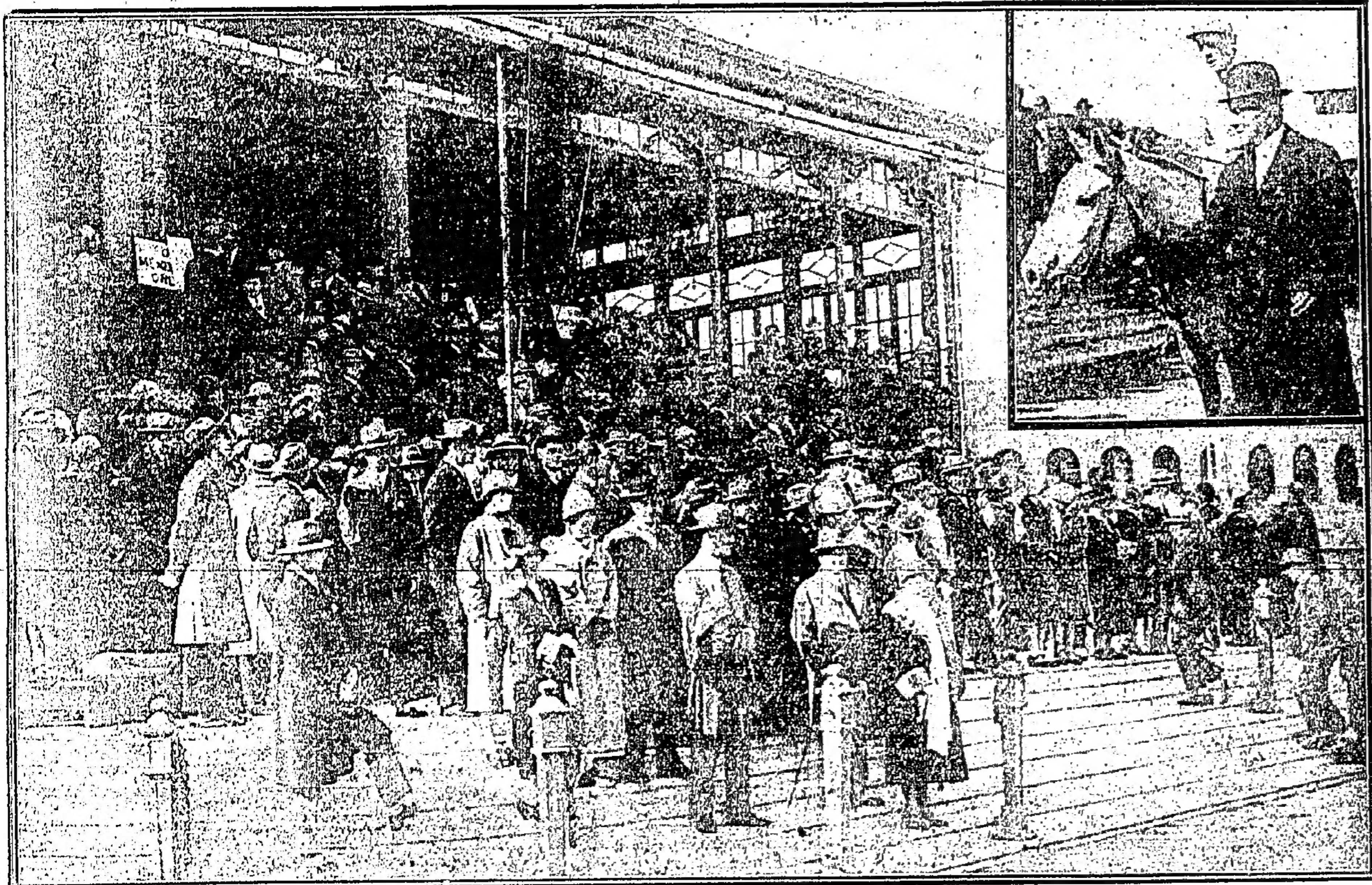
This year all nations in the U. K. took part in the walking match at Shanghai. The Irish team took all the honours and lost by a misfortune. The English team was second, and the Scottish third, while the Welsh, having only a small number of walkers to choose from, were not among the prize winners this time. The photograph shows a group of the teams, with their trainers.

## Defends the "Bob."



Msgr. Dubois, Cardinal Archbishop of Paris, has come to the defence of new fashions. "The virtue of a woman has never depended on the length of her hair," he declares, adding that "religion is no enemy of fashion."

## Scene at the Ewo Handicap Challenge Cup Race.



The Ewo Handicap Challenge Cup race was held on St. Andrew's Day at the Shanghai Race Club and attracted a good number of spectators, who thoroughly appreciated the hospitality of "The Muckle Hoose." There was great amusement before the start, for which there were a number of attempts before the field got away. Mr. A. N. Dallas on Greenland won easily, though carrying 175 pounds. - Inset shows the winner being led in by the owner.

## Wedding of a Well-Known Naturalist.



At H. M. Consulate at Shanghai, recently before Mr. Sidney Barton, C.M.G., Consul-General, Miss Clarice Sara Moise, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Moise, of San Francisco, was married to Mr. Arthur de Carlo Sowerby, of Shanghai, son of the Rev. Arthur Sowerby and the late Mrs. Sowerby of Maidenhead, Berks. A reception was later held at the residence of Dr. Anne Walter Fearn, where there was a large gathering of guests. The above picture was taken during the reception. The bridegroom is of world fame as a naturalist.

## Royal Student.



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## BANK HOLIDAYS.

In accordance with Ordinance No. 5 of 1925, the Exchange Banks will be closed for the transaction of Public Business on Friday and Saturday, the 25th instant.  
Hongkong, 24th Dec., 1925.

## NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG & CANTON ICE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at the Company's Town Office, 2, Lower Albert Road, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, 29th December, 1925, at noon, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts to 31st July, 1925.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 14th to the 29th December, 1925, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

J. D. THOMSON,  
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 11th December, 1925.

## NOTICE.

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

A SPECIAL MEETING of Members of the above Society and all those interested in Horticulture, will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Thursday, 7th January, 1926, at 5.30 p.m. with a view to deciding whether the annual flower show should be held next year or not.

It is hoped that a good number will be present. All Ladies interested are cordially invited to attend.

E. B. C. HORNELL,  
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, Dec. 22, 1925.

## NOTICE.

INSURANCE OFFICES.  
GENERAL HOLIDAYS.

NOTICE is hereby given that all Fire and Marine Insurance Offices will be closed for the transaction of public business on Friday and Saturday, the 25th and 26th December, 1925.

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Secretaries,  
The Fire Insurance Association of Hongkong,  
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## LOST.

LC'S.—On Hongkong-Kowloon Ferry about 5 p.m. on the 15th inst. Waterman's fountain pen. Finder kindly return to "Hongkong Telegraph" Office.

## NOTICE.

I beg to announce that as Hon. Treasurer of the organizing Committee for the Bazaar held in St. Patrick's Club on the 19th and 20th inst., I have received a total amount of \$913.00 for tickets sold before the date of the Bazaar, and donations.

JOHN MORAES  
Hongkong, 22nd December, 1925.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.  
NOTICE.

On Thursday, the 24th, December, all departments will be open until 7 p.m.

On Christmas Day, and Saturday, the 26th, December, all departments will be CLOSED.

On these days  
The Hongkong Dispensary, Dispensing Department will be open for dispensing prescriptions from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 6 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.

A. S. WATSON & Co., Ltd.  
Hongkong, 23rd December, 1925.

## NOTIFICATION.

The offices and stations of the Chinese Maritime Customs for Kowloon and District will be closed to public business on the 1st and 2nd January, 1926.

N. R. M. SHAW,  
Acting Commissioner of Chinese Customs,  
Kowloon and District,  
York Buildings.

Hongkong, Dec. 23, 1925.

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## Christmas Day.

8.15 a.m. Holy Communion.  
11.00 a.m. Morning Prayer and Sermon Preacher: The Vicar.

## Sunday, December 27th.

8.15 a.m. Holy Communion.  
11.00 a.m. Morning Prayer and Sermon: Anthem: "Rejoice in the Lord."  
Preacher: Rev. G. F. Arrowsmith, M.A.

2.45 p.m. Young People's Service.  
6.00 p.m. Evening Prayer, Organ Recital and Christmas Carol Service.  
Preacher: The Vicar

## NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Queen's College Old Boys' Association will be held in the Hall of Queen's College on Wednesday, the 30th of December, 1925 at 5.30 p.m. for the following purposes:—

1. To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the resolution that the financial year of the Association shall extend from 1st of January to 31st of December in each year, and to amend Rule 4 of the Constitution accordingly.

Notice is also given that the Sixth Annual General Meeting of the Association will be held immediately after the Extraordinary General Meeting referred to above for the following purposes:—

1. To receive the General Committee's Report and Statement of Accounts for the Financial Year ending 30th November, 1925.  
2. To elect the Officers for the year 1925-1926.  
3. To transact any other business.

By Order of the General Committee.

C. G. ANDERSON,  
Honorary Secretary,  
c/o Little, Adams & Wood.

Hongkong, December 23, 1925

## NOTICE.

Table reservations for the Carnival to be held at the

Repulse Bay Hotel

on

New Year's Eve

are now closed.

Reservations may now be made for

A Special Dinner Dance

(8 p.m. to 12 midnight)

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Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 4 p.m. to-day requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned, Goods remaining unclaimed after Tuesday the 29th inst. at noon will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the Friday, the 1st Jan. 1926 or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on Tuesday, the 29th inst. at 10 a.m. by Messrs Goddard and Douglas.

No fire insurance has been effected.

R. RODENFUSER,

Agent.

Hongkong, 23rd Dec. 1925.

LAMMERT'S  
AUCTIONS

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

Thursday, the 24th Dec. 1925

at 12 Noon,

at their Sales Room, Duddell Street.

Four Fox Terrier Pups—Pure Blood.

St. On View On Day of Sale.

Terms: Cash on delivery.

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## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

Tuesday, the 29th Dec. 1925,

commencing at 2.30 p.m.

at their Sales Room, Duddell Street

A Large Quantity of Office and Household Furniture

comprising:—

Teak Newspaper Racks and Stand, Teak Desks, Teak and Canoe Office Chair, Teak Roll Top Desk, Filing Cabinet, Steel Filing Stand, Adding Machine, Teak Hatstand with Bevelled Mirror, Chest of Drawers and Tapestry Covered Armchairs, Tapestry Covered Couch, Large Carpets, Rugs, Mats, Cushions, Porcelain Lamps, Vases, Brass Ware, etc., etc.

Teak Extension Dining Table, Teak and Tapestry Covered Dining Chairs, Teak Sideboard, Dinner Service, Tea Sets, E. P. Ware Silver, Ware, Glass and Cut Glass Ware, Teak Ice Chest, Milk Boilers, Utensils, Frying Pans, Cooking Utensils, etc., etc.

Brass, Teak and Iron Single and Double Wardrobes with Bevelled Mirror Doors, Teak Chest of Drawers, Teak Dressing Table with Bevelled Mirror, Teak Round Table, Teak and Marble Top Washstands, Teak and Lacquered Table, Teak Medicine Chest, Toilet Sets of Various Designs, Teak and Marble Top Chamber Stand, Chairs, Curtains, Chair-Cover, Curtain Poles, Galvanized Tubs, Enamelled Jugs,

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Auctioneers.

4B Duddell Street.

Hongkong, December 21, 1925.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions from Messrs. Wing Yee Tsung to sell by Public Auction for account of Messrs. Him Yuen Cheung Koo on

Wednesday, the 30th December

1925 at 1.30 a.m.

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200 New Tins "FONG TSE" Oil

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By Order of the Mortgagee.

Mr. E. V. M. R. de Sousa has received instructions to sell by Public Auction

on MONDAY,

the 4th January, 1926, at 3 o'clock

in the afternoon, at the China Auction Rooms, 4 Duddell Street, Victoria, Hongkong.

The Very Valuable Leasehold Property

situate at Victoria aforesaid and being The Remaining portion of Inland Lot No. 1556 and The Remaining Portion of Inland Lot No. 1557

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Vendor's Solicitors, or

MR. E. V. M. R. DE SOUSA,

The Auctioneer.

Hongkong, Dec. 14, 1925.

BY ORDER OF THE

MORTGAGEE.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE

of the

Valuable Leasehold Properties

Situate at Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong,

and known as

Section II of Inland Lot No. 151

and Section D of Inland

Lot No. 152A

Together with the messuages erections and buildings thereon known as Nos. 9 and 11, Prince's Terrace,

To Be Sold

In One Lot

by

PUBLIC AUCTION,

on TUESDAY,

the 12th day of January, 1926, at

3 o'clock p.m., at the China Auction Rooms, Duddell Street, Victoria, Hongkong,

by

Mr. E. V. M. R. DE SOUSA.

The properties consist of:—

All those pieces or parcels of ground situate at Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong and registered in the Land Office as Section II of Inland Lot No. 151 and Section D of Inland Lot No. 152A with the messuages erections and buildings thereon known as Nos. 9 and 11, Prince's Terrace, Victoria, Hongkong. The properties are held for the unexpired residues of the respective terms of 924 years from the 22nd day of January, 1919, and 999 years from the 25th day of June, 1849, created by an Indenture of Extension dated the 3rd day of November, 1849,



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### NEW SHIPS.

#### LAUNCHINGS OF LOCALLY BUILT VESSELS.

##### Speeches on Shipping Conditions.

In view of existing conditions, yesterday was a unique occasion in the history of Hongkong shipbuilding, in that two vessels were launched at local yards simultaneously, one at Kowloon and one at Taikoo. Mrs. Clementi performed the ceremony at Kowloon and Miss Stirling at Taikoo.

There was a fair gathering at Kowloon and among those present were Hon. Mr. Croux, Hon. C. McI. Messer, Hon. Mr. E. R. Halifax, C. M. G., Lieut. Commander G. F. Hole and Mr. E. F. Aucott, of Messrs Jardines. The launching platform was gaily decorated with blue and white, the colours of the Indo-China Company.

Promptly to time, Mrs. Clementi arrived and was instructed by Mr. Dyer in the machinery of launching. At 5 p.m. the hammer fell, but the Siang Wo failed to move, and for approximately three minutes, coolies were engaged in re-arranging the shipping gear. At 5.3 p.m. the vessel began to move and Mrs. Clementi with a "Good luck to the Siang Wo" smashed the blue and white be-ribboned bottle of champagne on the ship's side, as she slid gracefully down the ways to her element, to an accompaniment of crackers and siren blasts from the assembled launchers.

An adjournment was then made to the drawing loft, where toasts were drunk to the success of the Siang Wo and her builders.

##### Felicity and Peace.

In his speech, Mr. D. G. M. Bernard said: On behalf of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., I wish to thank you all for coming here this afternoon to witness the launching of the Siang Wo, a steamer built for the Indo-China S. N. Co., Ltd. and destined for service on the Middle Yangtze, between Ichang and Hankow. She is built as a shallow draft vessel and will carry 1,330 tons deadweight on a draft of 9 feet. She is equipped with all the cargo handling facilities which many years experience show to be most suitable for the trade in which she is going to be engaged.

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The name "Siang Wo" means "Felicity and Peace," a most appropriate name for a ship that is just commencing its career in the at present turbulent waters of China. Let us hope that the sentiments "Felicity and Peace" to be borne by this steamer will soon become the general state of China.

If any of you are likely to take a trip up the Yangtze Gorges, you can now travel from Shanghai to Hankow by the Loongwo or Kungwo, and as soon as this ship is finished, complete the journey as far as Ichang, in vessels all built at this Dockyard. After that, however, you will have to proceed up the Gorges in boats built in Shanghai or at home.

This ship should have been launched several months ago and I very much regret that owing to the strike and boycott there has been some delay. However, in spite of all the adverse circumstances with which we have had to contend, we have been able to carry on quite well.

##### Mrs. Clementi.

I now want to thank Mrs. Clementi for doing us the honour of coming to launch and christen this vessel. Mrs. Clementi was known to many of us here to-day when she was in Hongkong before, and I cannot think of a better

way the Dock Company could have welcomed her back than by asking her to christen the first ship launched since her return, and in agreeing to do so Mrs. Clementi has given evidence of the interest both she and H. E. the Governor take in the industries of Hongkong.

I now have very much pleasure in asking Mrs. Clementi to accept this diamond brooch as a small souvenir of the occasion, and I will ask you all to join me in drinking to the prosperity and success of the Siang Wo and her owners. (Applause).

The toast having been drunk, Mrs. Clementi replied in fitting terms, thanking all those present for attending and expressing pleasure at having been asked to perform the launching ceremony, which, she said, was a great privilege. She hoped that the Siang Wo would have many years of prosperous work, fulfilling her auspicious name. (Applause).

The toast of the Siang Wo and her owners was then drunk.

##### High-Water Mark of Efficiency.

Mr. R. Sutherland replied on behalf of the Indo-China S. N. Co., his speech dealing mainly with the current conditions in local shipping circles. In part, he said: It is my pleasant duty on behalf of the Indo-China Co., to thank the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co. for having so successfully designed and launched the Siang Wo, which, when completed, will undoubtedly be a source of satisfaction to her owners. I say "undoubtedly" because we have had many years experience of the good and honest work of the Dock Co., this being the 8th vessel constructed for with the same builders.

It is certainly a matter of congratulation to the Dock Co., particularly the executive staff, that this good ship notwithstanding unexpected, and what at one time looked like insuperable difficulties, has been successfully launched within a reasonable margin of the expected date. Such results call for unremitting perseverance and patience and I may say that these qualities so pronounced in your Chief Manager must stand the Company in good stead.

It is perhaps in times of stress that the executives of the Dock, judging by my experience, reach the high-water mark of efficiency, and in combating the ever recurring chaos caused by labour troubles, typhoons, etc., and in emergency salvage operations, I have always sworn by them. It is only right to add, however, that in the ordinary routine of business, I have so far forgotten myself as to occasionally swear at them. However, I can assure you that our relations have always been of the most cordial nature and long may they remain so. (Heard heart).

##### Shipping Depression.

That shipping generally is at its lowest ebb is world-wide knowledge; the depression in shipbuilding, particularly in the United Kingdom is such as to call for the most searching investigation by experts conversant with our great national industries. This regrettable state of trade has resulted in some half a million tons of shipping being laid up in U. K. ports alone, and still more serious perhaps some 3,600 Officers and Engineers have in consequence been put out of employment.

There are occasions, however, when shipping companies, no matter how inopportune the time, are obliged to maintain at all costs, valuable trade connections, and it was a situation such as this that had some time ago to be faced by the Indo-China Co., and which led to the decision to replace, or supplement, the old vessels operating on the Middle Yangtze River between Hankow and Ichang. The steamers in question are the Chang Wo aged 24 years, and the Siang Wo, which was built in Shanghai some 21 years ago. Old and faithful servants; links in that long and important chain of trade extending from Chungking to Hankow, Shanghai, Hongkong and Canton, a transport in all of over 2,500 miles or

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##### All Vessels Operating.

In wishing prosperity to the Dock Co., it is significant that in times of trade depression that the Indo-China Co. cannot find Docks for our annual overhaul jobs, without the use of the old Aberdeen Dock, a place which at one time we did not regard too favourably and which some years ago might have been demolished. It would seem, therefore, that there is still a very considerable amount of shipping in operation and as regards the Indo-China Co., it is a source of gratification to know that after a protracted

lay-up of a portion of the fleet, that all the vessels are now more or less operating in their customary trades. I trust that the improvement will continue and that the Dock Co. will reap its benefits accordingly.

I will now ask you, ladies and gentlemen, to drink to the continued prosperity of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., and I couple this toast with the name of Mr. R. M. Dyer. (Applause).

Mr. Dyer replied for the Dock Company, and referred to the difficult times which had been experienced recently. We were now getting out of the wood, he said, and speaking personally he was an impenitent optimist. With improving conditions, he hoped that the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company would have the opportunity of welcoming all those who were present at many similar functions in the future.

##### THE "ANTUNG" LAUNCHED.

The launching of the ss.

Antung, built to the order of the China Navigation Company, took place at the Taikoo Dockyard, the christening ceremony being performed by Miss Stirling, daughter of Commodore Stirling, R. N. The function was a quiet and informal one.

A description of the vessel appeared in our issue of yesterday.

We have the reputation of usually travelling lighter than Americans, but a compatriot of ours has recently arrived in New York with a personal cargo that coats, one imagines, even American records. He is a Cambridge scholar on his way to a professorship at Oberlin College, Ohio, and he has brought with him a box and a half of books for his use, while occupying the chair to which he has been appointed.

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THURSDAY, DEC. 24, 1925.

### CHRISTMAS THOUGHTS.

The seasonal thought of peace and goodwill ought, for us in Hongkong, to have a special significance this year. For the past six months we have, unfortunately, been passing through a phase of friction with certain elements of the great Chinese race with whom and among whom we have chosen to live and trade, and although we of this Colony very conscientiously believe that it was through no fault of ours that this friction and ill-feeling arose, we are just as anxious as any to prove that there is no reason for anything but amity and mutually beneficial friendly intercourse. And at this particular season of the year, when the whole atmosphere is, or should be, charged with the fraternal spirit of the great Christian festival, we can fittingly, and without loss of esteem or self-regard, ask ourselves whether we haven't perhaps been guilty of the sin of omission in the past—the omission of a visibly friendly and fraternal intercourse. As was so recently said by a member of the official delegation which came down here from Canton, there is in the normal season of uneventful everyday life here, far too little personal contact between the Chinese and foreign trading interests, and, although we need no convincing that the foreign business community of this Colony is profoundly conscious of friendliness towards the Chinese, we firmly believe that much more might be done in the way of encouraging better understanding by means of closer social contact. Negotiations are even now in progress for the settlement of the differences of opinion which have led up to the strike and boycott, and we should like to echo the fervent hope of the foreign community generally that those negotiations will be carried to a successful conclusion. There is an obvious mutual desire for settlement, and we can think of nothing more fitting than that this particular season should witness the restitution of the formerly amicable and profitable relations between Canton and Hongkong.

In the North there is a very dark cloud of fighting and unrest, and there has been open talk of possible military action both by Russia and Japan. For foreign officials and residents in the northern centres, this Christmas

will possibly be one of rather anxious and trying times, and we are confident that the kindly thoughts of foreign residents in the South will go up to those in Peking and beyond. Shanghai and Central China came out of the late Spring upheaval quicker than did other centres, and, although the relationships are still far removed from their former plane, there has been a welcome partial return. The year 1925 will go down into history as being one of the stormiest and most critical in the long period of foreign intercourse in China, for the country has not only been sharply divided against itself in costly military operations but there has been an unfortunate and, to our mind, quite unnecessary cleavage between the Chinese and foreign residents. That the past conduct of foreigners has merited the native reprisals we do not believe for a moment; but we do feel that at this time of the year there should be some official and open gestures of cordial friendship, for such would be all in keeping with the spirit of the holiday and would, undoubtedly, do much to rehabilitate the depleted normal life of peaceful China.

### The Latest Piracy.

The daring, and entirely successful, piracy of the C.M.C. s.s. Tunchow was primarily effected through surprise. No one on board, except the disguised desperadoes themselves, could have known that armed men were travelling as passengers and intended to seize the ship when opportunity offered. Evidently finding the pirating of local river steamers impracticable, owing to the drastic regulations now enforced, the notorious freebooters of Bias Bay have evolved a plan whereby they can operate on vessels from other ports. The instance of a similarly daring nature by the Bias Bay gang was on a ship which was boarded at Singapore (the s.s. Hong Hwa, last January); and this time the place selected has been Shanghai. The pirates on the Tunchow took greater risks, in that they diverted a steamer from its usual run, and thereby incurred the possibility of arousing the suspicions of passing vessels. The absence of wireless was again a factor in the desperadoes' favour, and they appear to have had no difficulty either in smuggling their weapons into Shanghai (unless they obtained them there) or in smuggling them aboard the steamer. Perhaps means can be evolved to make these outport operations more hazardous for the pirates, and no doubt the Tunchow case will be the subject of enquiry in due course; but the only certain remedy will be to destroy the freebooters' nests which are known to exist in the near vicinity of the British world-port of Hongkong. These are specially troublesome times for such matters to be tackled; but one of the first acts for a reorganised government to undertake in Kwangtung should be the elimination of piracy and brigandage from the realms under its control. Such an undertaking would gain the thanks and appreciation of all shipping and mercantile communities, both foreign and Chinese.

### AMERICA AND RUBBER.

PHILOSOPHIC NEWSPAPER COMMENT.

New York, Dec. 23. While some of the newspaper editorials echo the complaints that America is victimised over rubber, most writers take a more philosophic tone. For example, the *New York Times* opines that a Congressional enquiry is useless, as all the United States can do is to turn to South America or elsewhere and develop her own sources. It says that Britain can hardly be called on to surrender out of hand the advantages which her far-sighted statesmen and empire-builders were long preparing for her. It asks Americans to imagine their feelings if England were to ask them to reduce the price of the cotton, oil, copper and wheat which she was compelled to buy from America.—*Reuter's American Service.*

## TRIBUTES TO A BELOVED QUEEN.



Children from the village of Sandringham, where every inhabitant is connected with the Royal estate, arriving at the gates of Sandringham House with their tributes to the memory of the late Queen Alexandra.

### DAY BY DAY.

AT CHRISTMAS PLAY AND MAKE GOOD CHEER, FOR CHRISTMAS COMES BUT ONCE A YEAR.—*Thomas Tisser* (1524-1580).

There will be no issue of the *Telegraph* to-morrow. We take this opportunity of wishing all our readers a bright and merry Christmas.

The opening rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 2s. 4.9/16d.

Messrs. Mackintosh & Co., the men's wear specialists, have issued a neat desk calendar for the coming year.

The Observatory forecast for Christmas Day is: N.E. winds, moderate to fresh; generally cloudy, some drizzle or mist.

Kowloon readers are reminded of the fact that at Sunday evening's service at St. Andrew's Church there will be an organ recital and the rendering of special Christmas carols.

News received from Mr. William Heugan, the noted Scottish singer-actor, states that he had a most successful season in Shanghai and at the time of writing was at Kobe on his way to the United States.

The Bank of Taiwan, Ltd., announce that Mr. Tetsuji Takagi has been appointed manager of its Hongkong branch in succession to Mr. Zenji Yamamoto, who is transferred to the Tokyo office. Mr. Tetsuji Takagi assumed office yesterday.

Mr. Felix Morley, associate editor of the *Baltimore Sun*, one of America's leading newspapers, and brother of Christopher Morley, novelist and essayist, is expected to reach Shanghai and Peking soon. His trip is in response to the demand from newspaper readers in the United States to know more of Japan's and China's complicated affairs in their international relationship.

The new dance-hall at Lee Gardens was opened yesterday with the giving of a tea-dance. The hall has been formed by the conversion of two large rooms in what was formerly the residence of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Company's taipan. The floor has been reconducted to a state which, combined with the excellent jazz-band provided, makes for the maximum of dance enjoyment. The enterprise is worthy of the support of the public.

Captain Aubrey S. Eagle, Air Service, Camp Nichols, and his mechanic, Sergeant Butler of the same post, narrowly escaped watery graves last week, according to a Manila report. While flying over the bay near the Cavite Navy Yard, the engine of their Army airplane stalled. Captain Eagle attempted to make land but the altitude at which they were flying was too low. Both men jumped from the plane before it sank and managed to keep their heads above water until rescued by native fishermen in a small craft. They were taken ashore at the navy yard. The plane was raised by navy yard dredges and freighted to the central wharf at Cavite. One wing was demolished and other parts were damaged.

### MR. ERIC RICE.

#### DUE HERE SHORTLY.

Formerly private secretary to Sir Edward Stubbs, former Governor of Hongkong, Mr. Eric Rice is making a tour of the East in the capacity of travelling secretary of the Overseas League, and will reach Hongkong during the first week in January.

During the time Mr. Rice was in the Colony, he made a wide circle of friends, and he is hoping to renew many old acquaintances on his arrival here. He will probably stay at the Hongkong Hotel.

### KEROSENE AND SALT.

#### WUCHOW MONOPOLY CANCELLED.

With regard to recent reports of kerosene and salt having been put under Government control at Wuchow, which has resulted in the entire closing down of business in the former commodity, while the shipment of the latter has been suspended by the salt merchants, it is now reported that the people of Kwangsi are threatened with a dearth of these two necessities. The Canton Government has therefore issued a counter-order to the Wuchow authorities to rescind the former order to establish a Government monopoly in these two commodities.

### RESOLUTIONS.

(With apologies to Mr. W. S. Gilbert and the Chancellor.)

When I came to Hongkong as a very young man,

Said I to myself, said I, I will work on a new and original plan,

Said I to myself, said I, I'll never touch whiskey or beer or sherry

Nor imbibe the juice of the juniper berry.

Through drink I'll not miss the last tram or the ferry.

Said I to myself, said I, On all my superiors, cards I will drop.

Said I to myself, said I, Through social observances I will not flop.

Said I to myself, said I, Up Peak or down Valley when night falls I'll scout.

Slip cards in the boxes which indicate "out."

As a social success I'll not long be in doubt,

Said I to myself, said I, I'll speak to my taipan and join up the Club.

Said I to myself, said I, I'll join it for knowledge and not as a pub.

Said I to myself, said I, On the first of the month I will pay every sub.

Then my name won't appear on the board at the Club,

And in fact I will be a popular young cub.

Said I to myself, said I, DINTY.

### MURDER TRIAL.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Was he taken out of that cell to make the statement?—Yes.

Prior to making the statement, he was put in the cell and locked up?—Yes.

You told us yesterday that the boy saw his mother, and saw his teacher, is that correct?—Yes.

His Lordship:—Was that prior to the statement?—After the statement, my Lord. The mother called at the Kowloon Police Station during different periods.

Mr. Zeilyn:—During the period that the boy was locked in the cell?—Yes, at different hours. I don't know the time when she called on the 18th July. I saw her on two different occasions, the second occasion being when the boy went home.

Will you tell my Lord and the jury when the mother saw the boy on his return home?—On the 24th July.

These are two occasions?—To my knowledge, yes.

On this occasion, was the boy allowed to speak to his mother?—No.

Then why did you tell my Lord and the jury yesterday that the boy spoke to his mother?—If I did say that, I made a mistake.

How many days, before the boy made this statement, was he brought to the Station?—He was brought to the station on the morning of the 17th July.

And locked in the cell?—Yes. And kept there well into the morning of the 24th July?—Yes.

How many occasions did his teacher come?—About three occasions. On one occasion in the forenoon, on the second occasion in the evening and the last occasion was when the boy was released. This was to bring food for the boy.

You say that he brought the boy food. Was this every day and perhaps twice a day?—It may be so.

Was he on any occasion allowed to speak to the boy?—No.

Witness said that although he was in supreme charge of the Kowloon Police Station, he was subordinate to the Divisional Inspector. He did not give instructions for the release of the boy, and only knew that he was released on being told so.

Mr. Whyte Smith:—Did the boy show any disinclination to make the statement?—No, he was willing.

What was his demeanour?—He seemed very happy.

His Lordship:—Surely, you don't imagine that a reason for keeping the boy up at the Police Station?

This completed the examination of the witness. Other evidence was then taken, and the case is proceeding.

### TRADE TREATY.

#### AMERICA AND ESTHONIA.

Washington, Dec. 23. Mr. Kellogg and the Estonian Minister have signed an American-Estonian treaty of commerce similar to the American-German one.—*Reuter's American Service.*



## PLAY AND PLAYERS.

BIG BOUT BUNNYHUGGING.

By "Wanderer."

The responsible editor has this morning notified me that publication in full of my candid opinion of the bout between Jim Cartledge and Stoker Norman Morris at the City Hall, last evening, would be unfair to the class of paper on which this is printed, with the result that I am confined to the statement that to mention boxing and the Cartledge-Morris "fight" in the same breath would be displaying scant respect to the noble art. The contestants may possibly have misheard Mr. J. Brook when he announced that it was to be a fifteen-rounds "catchweight" contest, and may possibly have thought him to say "catch-as-catch-can," for their subsequent actions somehow confirm this.

The contest would probably have developed into one interminable clinch but for the fact that Mr. Murdoch was in the ring, and even he was powerless to do more than break the monotony by stepping between them occasionally. It was most difficult to follow, the only thing very clear being that a good deal of rough stuff was being pulled. Cartledge was almost always aware of the referee and he would hold on the blind side no matter how often he changed his position, though I should be the last to suggest that Cartledge alone erred. Morris was just as reluctant to break as his opponent, and was equally to blame for a spoilt fight. Sometimes he appeared puzzled by Cartledge's tactics and no doubt this had some influence on his decision to join freely in the bunny-hugging.

The contest commenced at a late hour after some excellent preliminaries, and the general opinion was that it was not worth remaining out of bed for.

When I said when—the men did break, the advantage fluctuated. If it was a clean break, Morris invariably had the better of the brief exchanges before they dropped into the next clinch, while the boot was on the other foot when the break was half-hearted. The last three rounds were more lively than anything which had gone before, and Cartledge took considerable punishment without showing signs of weakening. In the thirteenth, Morris jolted him with a right to the chin and followed it up with a heavy blow to the body. Brisk fighting saw little advantage either way, though Morris appeared to have more power behind his blows. Morris gained a clear advantage in the fourteenth also and the fifteenth went to him by the merest shade.

It was on those last three rounds that Morris gained the decision, though up to the twelfth, the fight had been going to Cartledge. What advantage there was in Morris's favour at the conclusion was fractional, but it is worthy of note that both judges were in accord about it.

The first round was a good indication of what was to follow and it might well be described as three clinches with no distance work to prevent the contestants from resting their heads. The task of the judges was rendered very difficult and they would have been puzzled to discover advantage to either man in the exchanges. In the second round, Mr. Murdoch got in the ring and he pulled up Cartledge for holding soon after his entrance. The third was a trifle better, though the trifle would be hard to measure. Cartledge was getting home to the face fairly frequently. The next round was Cartledge's by a narrow shade, but again it was tiresome to witness. The fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth were entirely devoted to in-fighting and fighting-in, Cartledge doing the forcing if one could use the term.

Up to the eighth, five rounds had gone slightly in his favour, but the ninth saw some improvement in the Morris side of the argument, a hefty left to the body followed by a similar punch to the head giving him his first round. The tenth was as hopeless as the first eight and neither man could claim any advantage. Both displayed total lack of enterprise content to push and punch to the kidneys and punch to the kidneys and push.

By going into clinches, punching two-handed, Morris had a trifle the better of round eleven, and he started off well in the next, only to feel Cartledge retreating to some effect. Morris had sustained an eye injury earlier on,

and this was further opened by a glancing blow. The thirteenth was a little more interesting, though I thought I detected illegal use of the head on the part of both men when Cartledge had rushed Morris to the ropes. There was much heavy punching at close quarters, neither showing tangible signs of the gruelling going, for whatever one might say about the fight as a spectacle, it was certainly gruelling to the participants. Morris had much the better of a swift exchange of punches and he appeared to be putting a little more beef behind them. Morris gave the better impression in the fourteenth, landing strong blow to Cartledge's chin and body. The final round was brisk, Cartledge making a big effort, only to find Morris more than holding his own. Both men had had about enough when the final gong sounded. The verdict was received with almost general approval and though many thought a draw would have been more suited to the display, I don't think I heard anyone suggest that Cartledge should have won. The difference between the men at the conclusion was trifling, but Morris had finished more strongly and deserved his win.

## THE PRELIMINARIES.

The preliminaries are usually regarded as a foil to the big fight but last evening the positions were reversed. In almost every instance the men were excellently matched, only one K.O. being registered.

This occurred in the first bout of the evening when Drummer Bowles knocked out Marine Hills. Hermes, in the second round, Bowles nearly on found difficulty in getting past Hills' long reach, but near the conclusion he clipped a right to the chin which put his opponent down for a count. The gong intervened but Hills was still dazed on resumption and the fight was not long-lived once Bowles had got into his stride.

The return between Harry Major and A. B. Gardner proved the best fight of the evening. Major was the more efficient fighter but Gardner's superb defence and his left which he planted with precision time and again gained him a very narrow victory. Major confirmed all that has been said about his improvement but Gardner's stout worried him as no doubt it was intended to do, and he aimed principally for his opponent's body. Major went off strongly and he had Gardner attled early on, the Hermes boy being forced into clinch to save further punishment. Gardner thereafter was more wary and he fought an extremely clever fight. The whole six rounds were well worth watching and though Major did extremely well at the conclusion he had done scarcely sufficient to merit a victory.

A. B. Baker, Hermes had found it fairly easy to defeat L. Tel. Emerson when last they met but he was up against a different proposition last evening. Emerson fought splendidly, though his style is not the kind one admires, and he was ahead on points in each of the first three rounds. Baker was fighting coolly and his hitting was straight and well-directed. He pulled up well as the fight proceeded, the decision finally being a draw.

A. B. Jackson conceding ten pounds to a shipmate A. B. Morrell gained a brilliant win. He stood up magnificently to his opponent's rushes though to the uninitiated it must have appeared that Morrell was having the better of the exchanges. The fact of the matter is that Morrell practically throughout was striking with the open or more-than-half-open glove and he scored few really legitimate points. Jackson fought an extremely clever fight punching effectively with both hands and considerably worrying Morrell with his right leads. Morrell's rushes brought him little benefit except when he forced Jackson into a clinch and was able with his superior weight to gain some advantage. Jackson was a good and comfortable winner.

There was plenty of wasted energy in the contest between A. B. Pearce and Dusty Miller. Miller had a far more collected idea of what he was doing but the younger man was too persistent for him. Pearce was well ahead on points at the end of the sixth round.

## STOCK AND SHARE HANDBOOK.

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All interested in the stock and share markets in China—and that means nearly everyone with some money to invest—will be glad to learn that the "China Stock and Share Handbook," which was in constant request up to the time its publication ceased some years ago, has been revived, and brought thoroughly up-to-date so far as circumstances will allow.

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We quote from the foreword: "Owing to the importance of the rubber industry much space has been devoted to matters connected therewith, and particular reference has been made to the Stevenson Act. . . . At the request of a number of investors in Chinese government loans, some pages have been devoted to the more important loan agreements."

The publishers, "The North-China Daily News and Herald," Ltd., of Shanghai, have produced this handbook in their usual high-class manner. It is well worth the price of \$6 Mex.

## U. S. AND MEXICO.

## TO ENFORCE PROHIBITION.

Washington, Dec. 23.

An anti-smuggling treaty with Mexico has been signed here today. It goes further than the treaty with Canada, and according to American officials it "puts the teeth into prohibition enforcement."

—Reuter's American Service.

## FRENCH POLITICS.

## M. CLEMENTEL'S NEW POST.

Paris, Dec. 23.

In the Senate, the members of the Left Democrats, Radicals and Radical-Socialists of the Committee of Finance approved candidature of M. Clementel as President in place of M. Doumer.—Indopacific.

## TURK AMBASSADOR.

## RECEIVED BY MR. BALDWIN.

London, Dec. 23.

Mr. Baldwin has formally received the Turkish Ambassador.—Indopacific.

## THE UNEMPLOYED.

## LATEST BRITISH FIGURES.

London, Dec. 23.

Statistics issued on the 14th December show that there were then 1,127,500 unemployed, this showing a slight reduction.—Indopacific.

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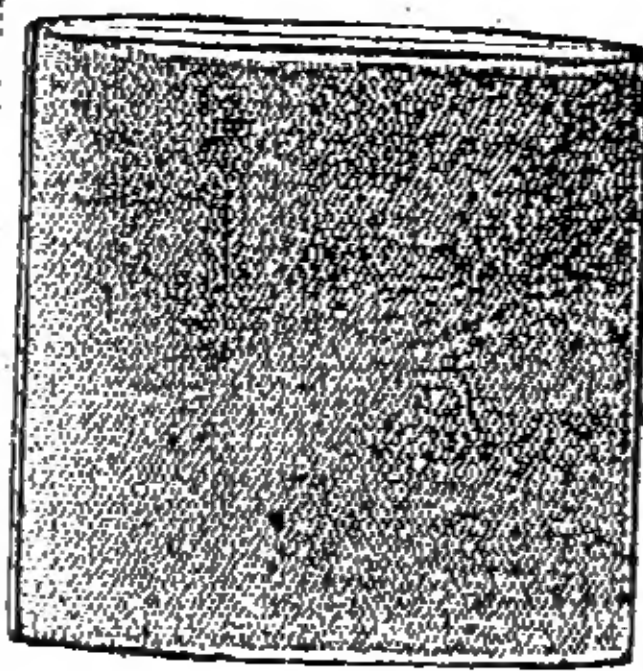
Paris, Dec. 23.

Generals Passaga and Nollet have been nominated for the Grand Cross of the Legion of Honour.—Indopacific.

The final preliminary was a match arranged at the last minute between Barber, of the East Surreys and A. B. Valentine, Hermes. Valentine was very cool and clever on his feet but he contented himself with trying to avoid Barber's right hand. Valentine is a south-paw and he succeeded in making Barber look foolish on many occasions but he made so few efforts to fight his man that Barber was an easy winner at the close.

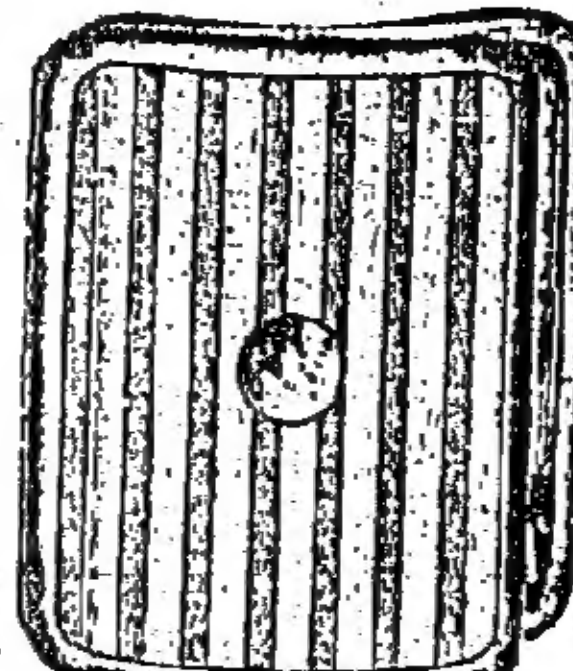
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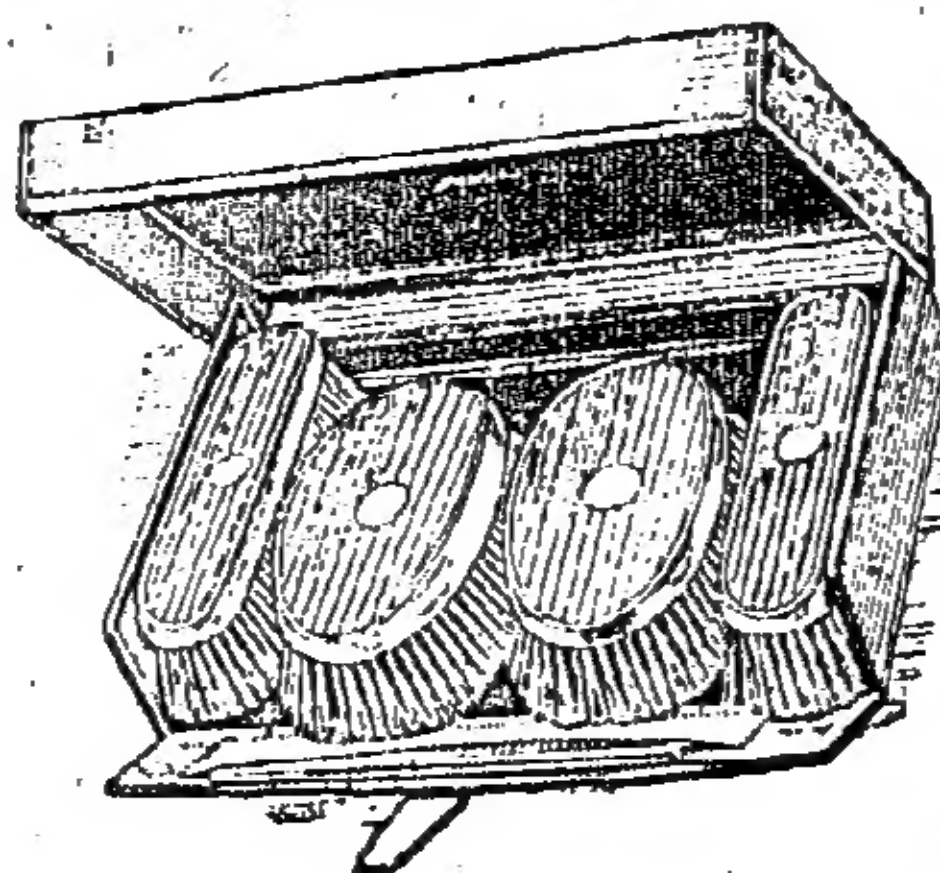
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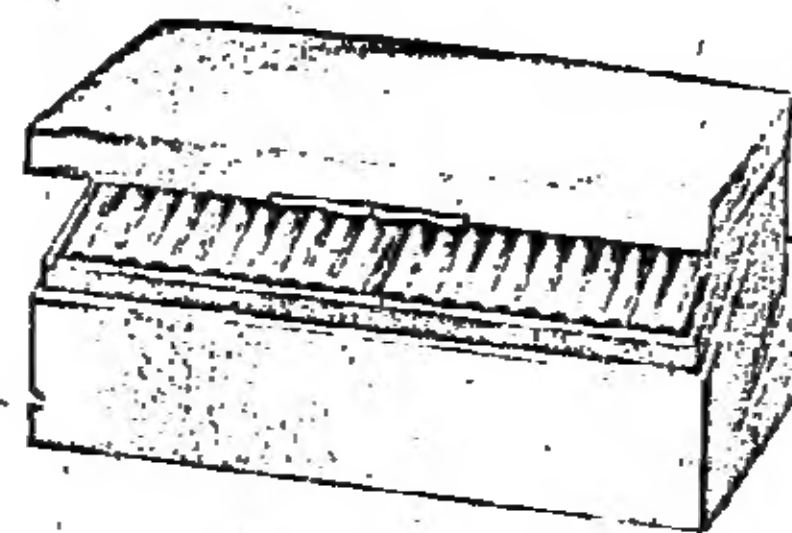


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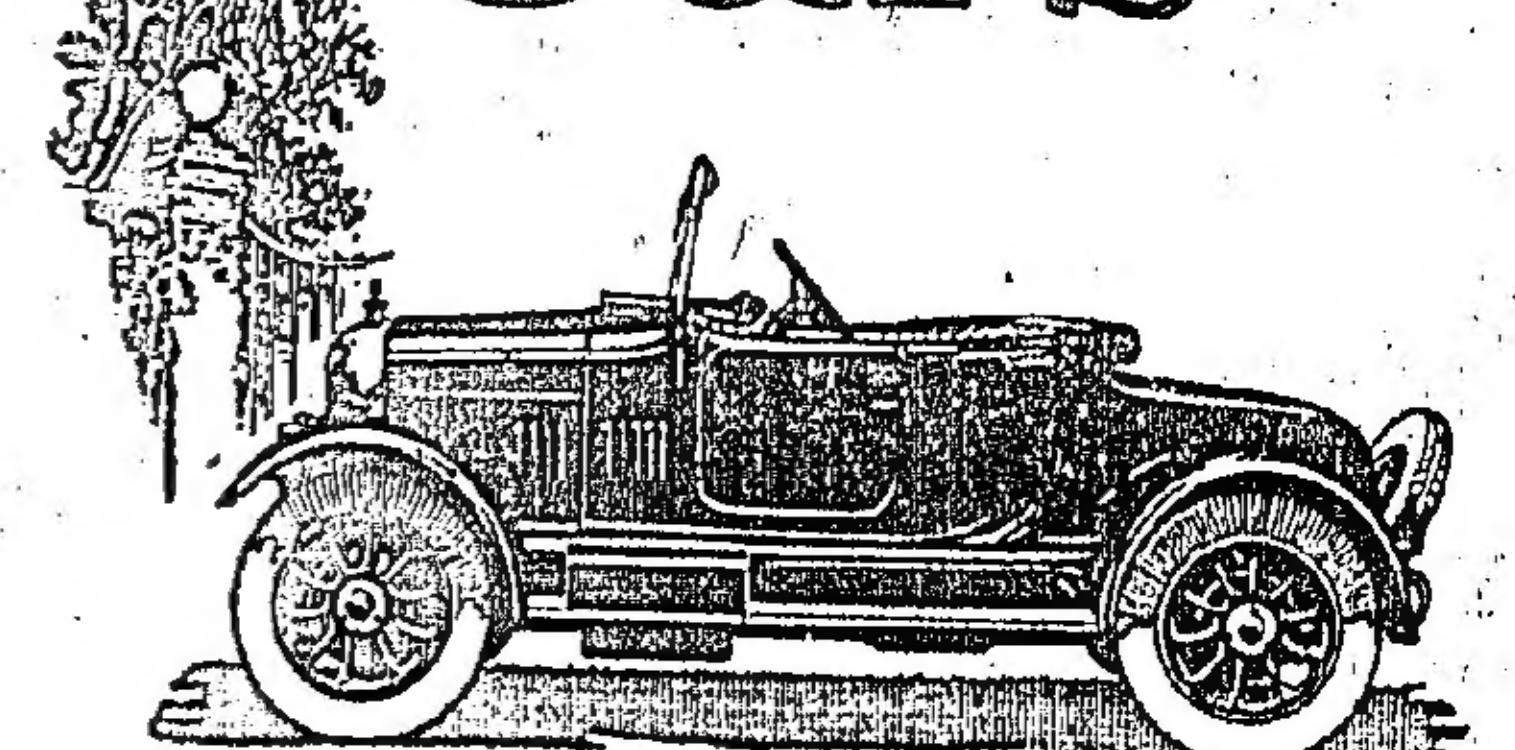
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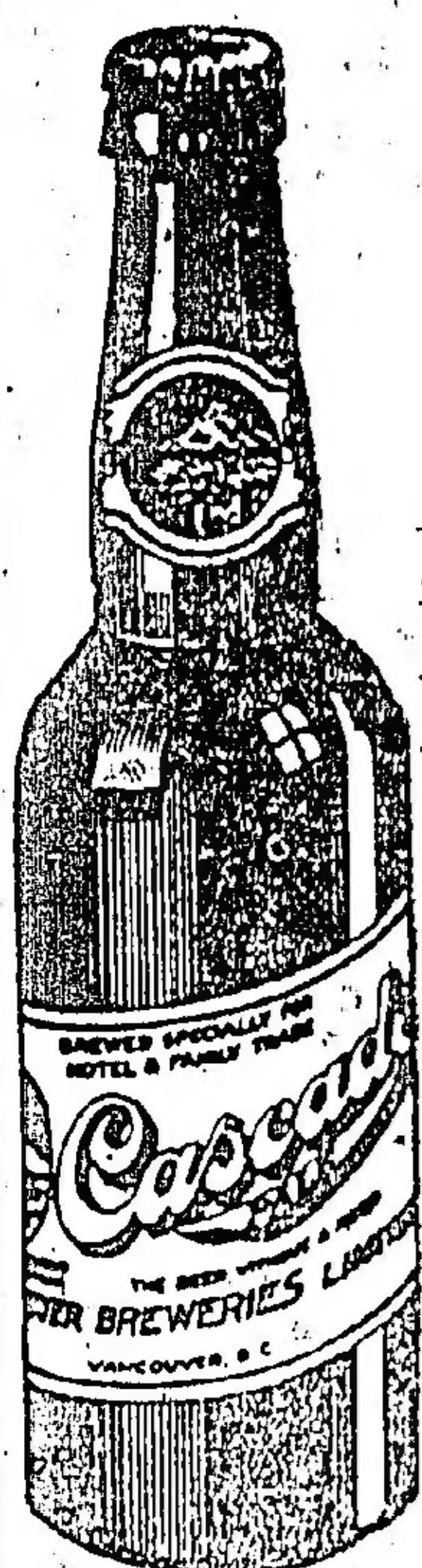
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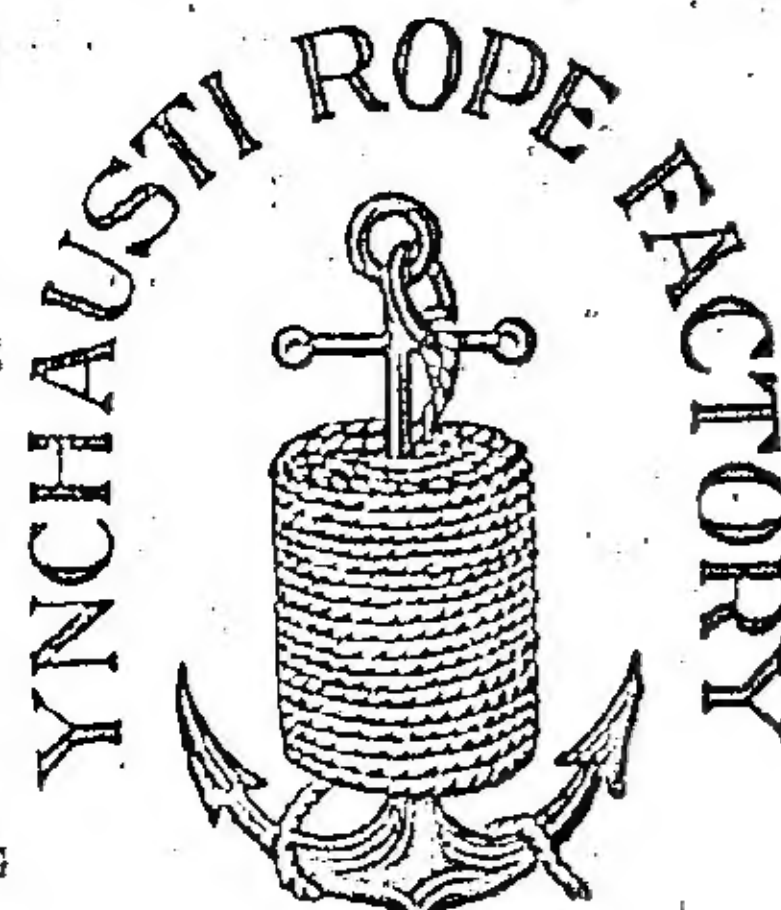
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### KOWLOON DOCK TRAGEDY.

#### ENQUIRY INTO ENGINEER'S DEATH.

##### An Unaccountable Accident.

Sitting as Coroner at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday afternoon, Mr. E. W. Hamilton conducted an enquiry into the circumstances of the death of Mr. D. A. Morris, late third engineer of the s.s. Maunsang, whose body was found floating in the No. 1 Dock at Kowloon on the night of December 5. The jury summoned to enquire into the deceased's death was composed of Messrs. W. J. Edwards (foreman), G. Weber and Tung Shiu-lun.

According to the medical evidence given by Dr. J. T. Smalley, there was an abrasion on the deceased's forehead, nose and shin. The clavicle was fractured and the condition of the lungs, heart and the contents of the stomach were all consistent with drowning.

Asked if the abrasion on the shin might have been caused by tripping over some wire, witness replied that it was possible. It was also possible that the wound on the forehead caused the deceased to be in a state of concussion and it would be likely that he would be drowned without making the least effort to save himself. His organs were in a condition suggestive of having been rendered unconscious before falling into the water. The fractured collar bone would be a hindrance to him and render him less able to maintain his balance should he fall.

There was nothing abnormal in the contents of the stomach and there were no signs of alcohol.

##### The Discovery.

The Coroner then read to the jury a statement made by a Portuguese sailor of the gunboat Patria, who discovered the body floating in the dock. The man stated that he was waiting to return to his ship when he saw the body of a man in the No. 1 Dock. Not seeing a policeman on the spot, he immediately went to the nearest house and tried to explain to the inmates that there was someone in the dock.

The next witness called was Mr. E. Wylie, who stated that he was dining with Mr. Duncan at the east of the No. 1 Dock, when at about 11 p.m. two Portuguese sailors took him and Mr. Duncan to the dock, where they found the body of a European floating in the water. Witness was asked by Mr. Duncan to summon the police and on his return, Mr. Wylie found that the body had floated to the side of the dock. It was later removed by the police.

Mr. W. Sanderson, assistant superintendent engineer of the China Steam Navigation Company, said that the deceased was employed by the company as third engineer. He was a very cheerful man, reliable and respected.

##### Recovery of Body.

Mr. G. Duncan corroborated Mr. Wylie's evidence and added that after asking the latter to call the police he went away and obtained a life boat, as the body was then in the middle of the dock. On returning, however, the body had drifted to the side and was taken out by Inspector Clark.

Continuing witness said the deceased might have fallen over the steps where the body was found as his hat was discovered near the corpse. He might have tripped over the pipe on the side of the dock.

The Coroner: Assuming that the deceased was returning from the Kowloon Hotel and going back to the ship, would he pass by the dock?

Witness: I am inclined to think that the deceased was taken by his ricksha coolie to the entrance near the New Quarters, in which case he must pass that way, but not otherwise.

Witness said he had met the deceased previously when he had fallen down and fractured his collar bone about two weeks before his death. He met Mr. Morris at the Kowloon football field on Saturday and he appeared to be very cheerful but had not fully recovered from his injury. He was perfectly sober.

The Coroner: In mercantile docks, is it usual to put guard chains around the sides?

Witness: Only at the head of the dock, but where the steps are I do not think it is necessary and

it would be in the way.

It would be in the way, but it's not usual?—No. It is not usual. They have no chains along the Praya.

There are no chains on the edge of the Praya because of the cargo being continually loaded on ships. That also applies with docks?—Yes.

Asked if he could account for the accident, witness replied in the negative, remarking that the place was beautifully illuminated by a large lamp. Witness was inclined to think that the deceased had walked straight into the dock.

The Coroner: Can you account for his walking straight into the dock?—No.

##### The Verdict.

Mr. N. Stephenson gave evidence of having dined with the deceased at the Kowloon Hotel on the Saturday night. He had had no drinks and returned to his ship alone.

Sub-Inspector Clark stated that when taken out of the water he was convinced that the deceased was dead. There was a sum of money in his pockets and the body showed no signs of violence.

Mr. W. J. Lawrence said that he had been shipmates with the deceased on the s.s. Yuen Sang last year. He was of a very cheerful nature and never quarrelled with his shipmates.

The Coroner, summing up, pointed out to the jury that there were obviously three possibilities before them. The first was that deceased was pushed over the edge, and if the jury considered that was what had occurred they were to return a verdict of wilful murder. The Coroner pointed out that a sum of money was found on the deceased and the motive therefore could not have been one of robbery.

In the second place if the jury found he had committed suicide they would return their verdict accordingly and make any reference they desired regarding his mentality.

The third possibility was that by some accident or other he had fallen into the dock, and stunned, was unable to save himself. If that be their opinion they would return a verdict of death by misadventure.

After retiring, the jury found that death was due to misadventure.

### SHANGHAI SHOOTING.

#### COMMISSIONER AND INSPECTOR RESIGN.

Shanghai, Dec. 23.

The Municipal Council, in a letter to the Senior Consul, dated the 21st inst., says that notwithstanding the fact that the majority of the judges on the Commission of Inquiry exonerate the police from blame, Mr. McEuen, Commissioner of Police and Mr. Eyerson, Inspector in charge of the Louza Station, have tendered their resignations.

The Council, preferring as always, to take action likely to promote the settlement of the questions at issue, has decided to accept the resignations with an expression of appreciation of meritorious services these officers have rendered in the past.

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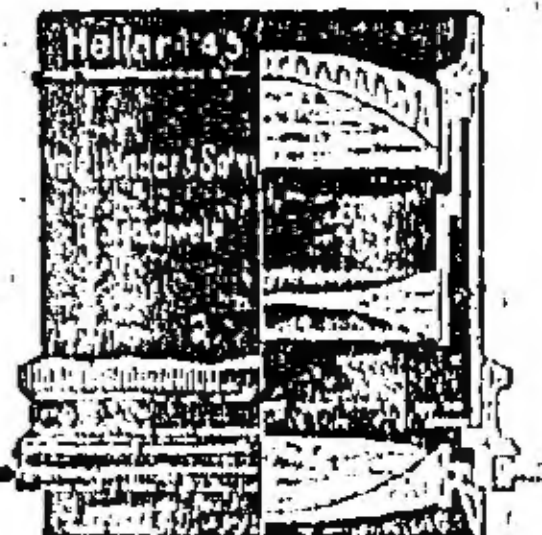
##### Report Being Released.

Shanghai, Dec. 23.

The Judicial Commission's report is being released from Peking this afternoon. Owing to interruption of communications it is not expected to reach Shanghai before December 25. The Council is in possession of a summary, which it has not given out.—Reuter.

A plea that the Cenotaph should be crowned with a perpetual flame, as was originally planned by Sir Edwin Lutyens, is made by Mr. E. V. Lucas in a letter to the Editor of the Daily Express.

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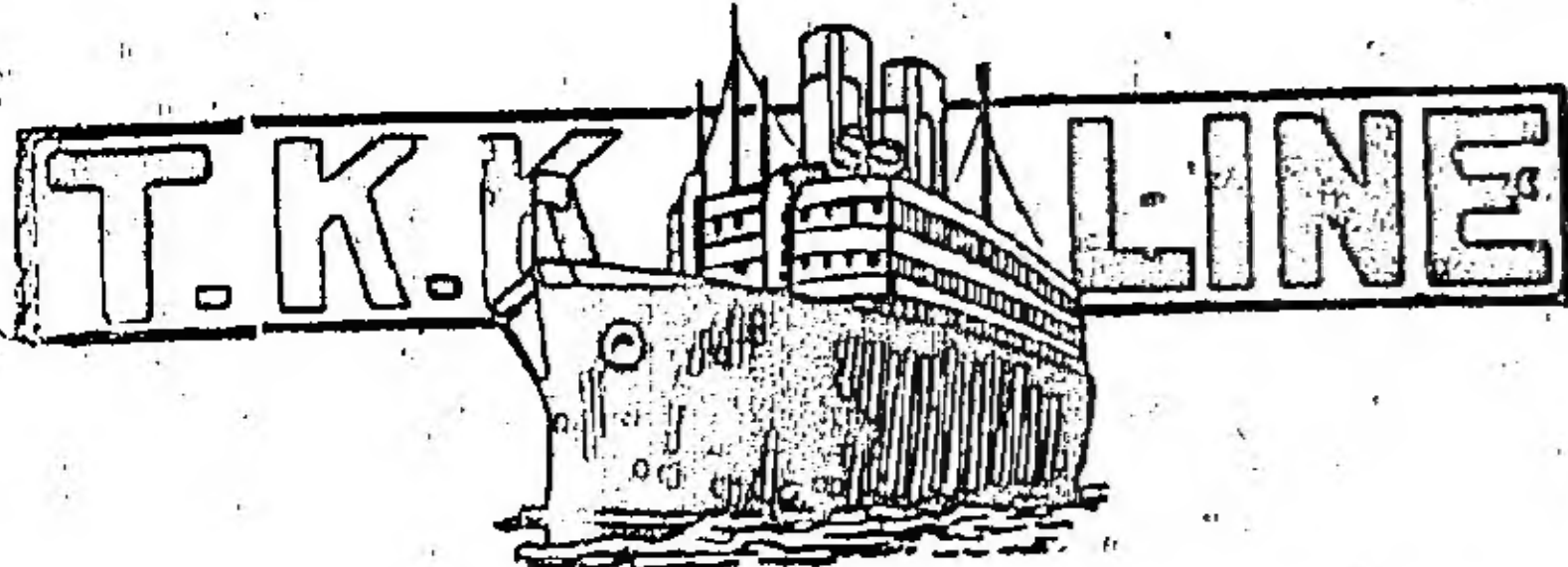
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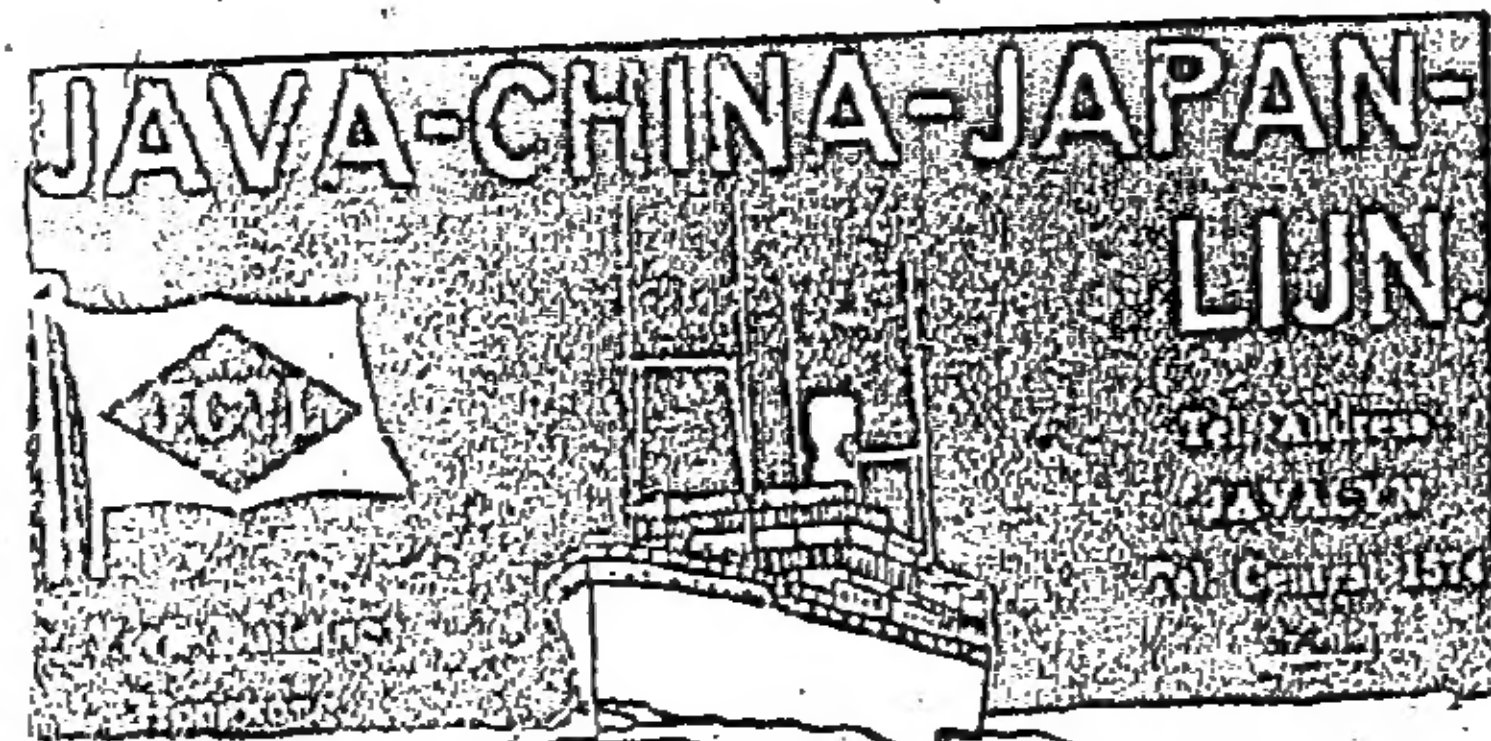
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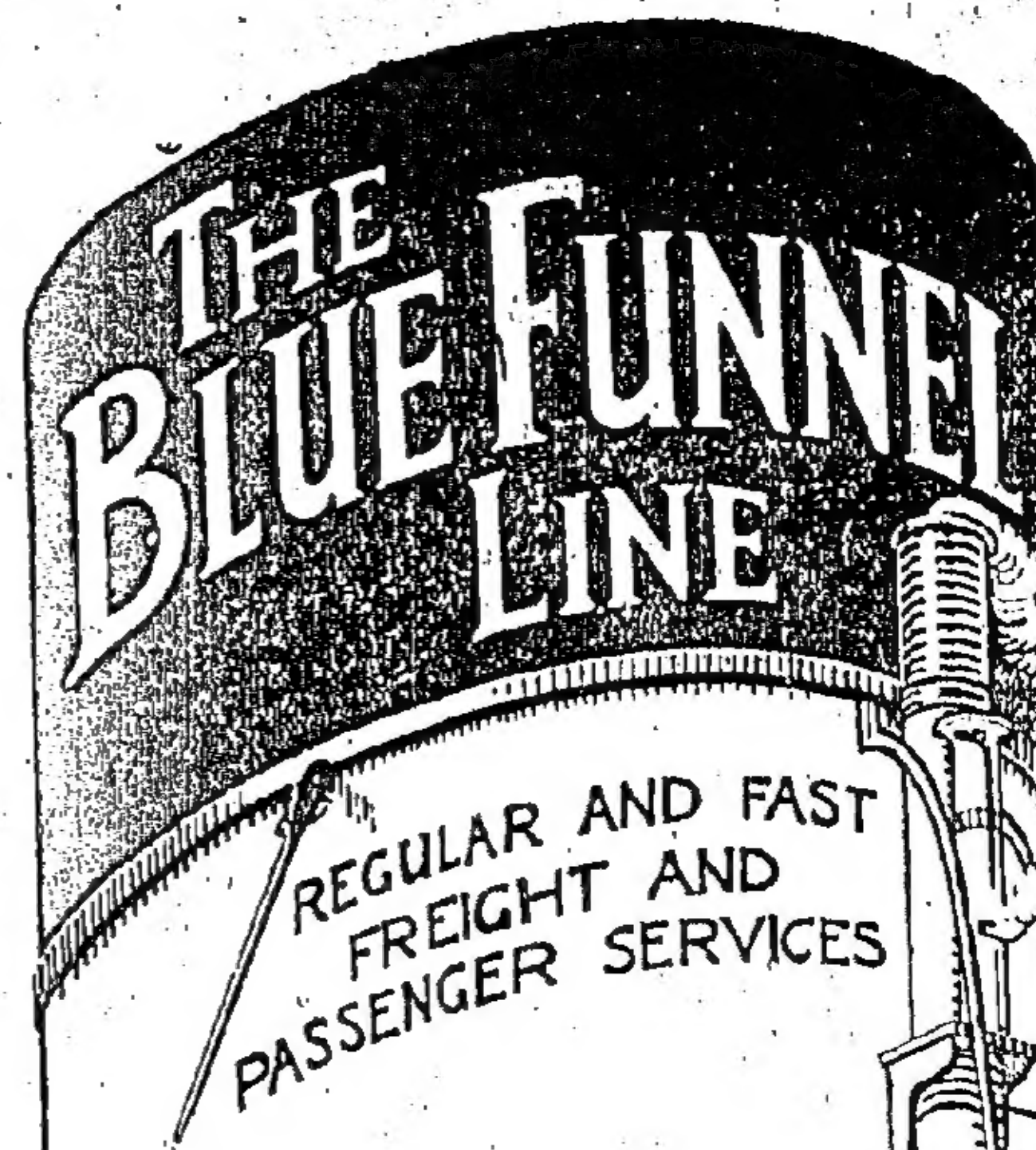
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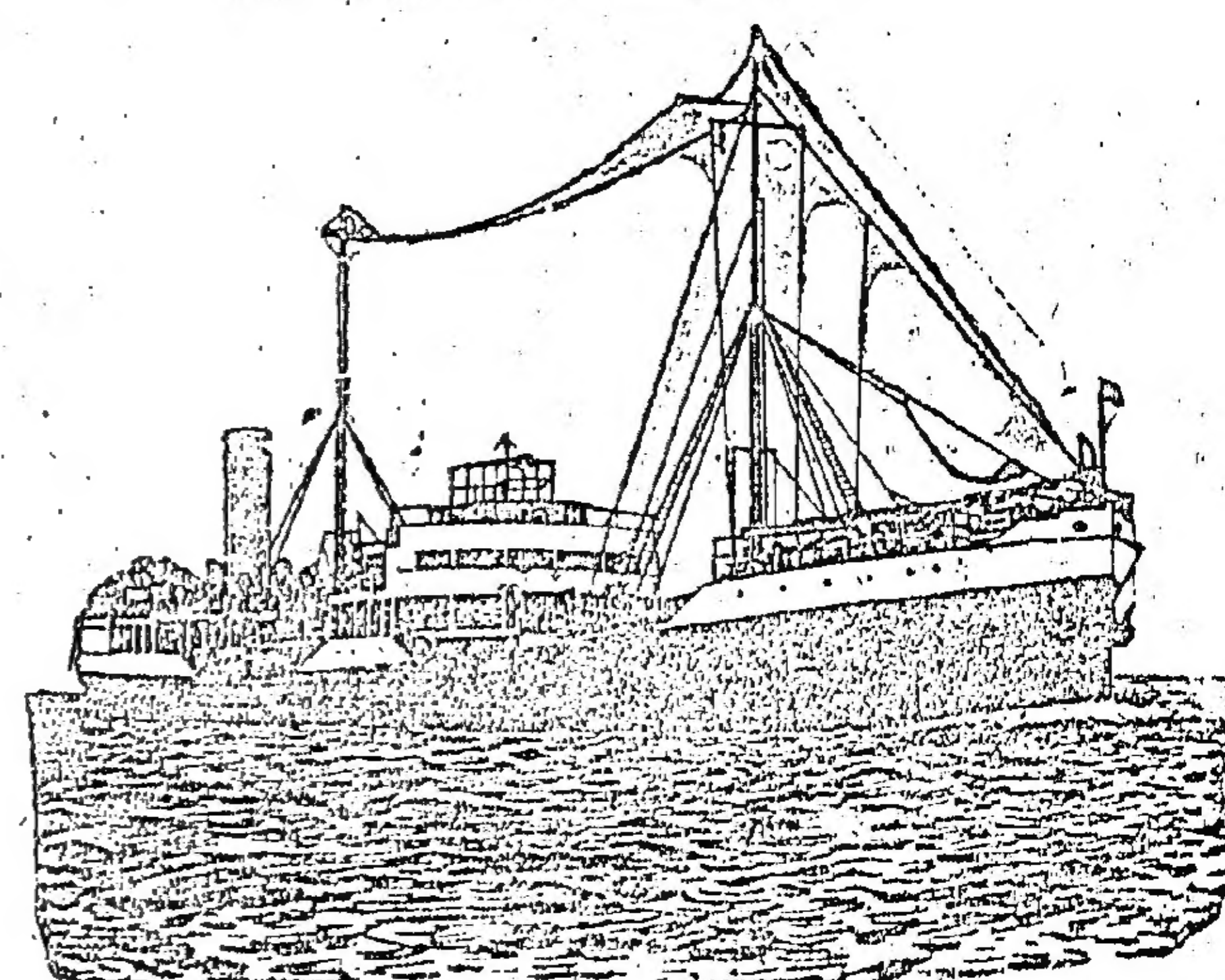
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| SICILIA  | 6,812  | 26 Dec. noon    | Shanghai & Kobe        |
| KHIBER   | 9,114  | 27 Dec. d'light | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe  |
| HYMETTUS | 4,506  | 2nd Jan.        | Yokohama, S'hai & Kobe |
| SANTHA   | 8,500  | 7th Jan.        | S'hai & Kobe           |
| MAIWA    | 10,941 | 9th Jan.        | S'hai, Moji & Kobe.    |

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| GLENSHIEL     | 26th Dec.     | GLENDUG                            | 24th December    |
| PENBROKESHIRE | 10th Jan.     | GLORINDA                           | 24th December    |
| GLENNIFFER    | 21st Jan.     | CARNAVONSHIRE                      | 25th Jan.        |
| GLENOGLE      | 3rd Feb.      | 1st Dec. H'can. & H'burg via Oran. |                  |
| GLERAMOY      | 23rd Feb.     | GLENSHIEL                          | 31st Jan.        |

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Sailings from Hongkong.

|                        |                |           |
|------------------------|----------------|-----------|
| S.S. "CYCLOPS"         | via Suez Canal | 7th Jan.  |
| S.S. "YANGTSE"         | via Suez Canal | 19th Jan. |
| S.S. "CITY OF BEDFORD" | via Suez Canal | 28th Jan. |
| S.S. "OANFA"           | via Suez Canal | 7th Feb.  |

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SHIMIZU MARU ... Wednesday, 6th Jan at 11 a.m.

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MARSEILLES, LONDON &amp; ANTWERP via Singapore &amp; Port.

KAMO MARU ... Saturday, 2nd Jan. at 11 a.m.

KATORI MARU ... Saturday, 16th Jan.

ATSUTA MARU ... Saturday, 30th Jan.

HAMBURG via LONDON &amp; ROTTERDAM &amp; Port.

LIVERPOOL via ADEN &amp; MARSEILLES GLASGOW

SYDNEY &amp; MELBOURNE via Manila &amp; Port.

TANIGO MARU ... Thursday, 24th Dec at 11 a.m.

AKI MARU ... Wednesday, 20th Jan.

NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via AMERICA

MALACCA MARU ... Saturday, 26th Dec.

TATSUNO MARU ... Sunday, 17th Jan.

BUENOS AIRES via Singapore, Durban &amp; Capetown

KAWACHI MARU ... Monday, 23rd Dec.

BORNEO via Singapore &amp; Colombo.

TOYOOKA MARU ... Sunday, 27th Dec.

TOTTORI MARU ... Sunday, 3rd Jan.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang &amp; Rangoon.

NAGASAKI, KOBE &amp; YOKOHAMA.

MISHIMA MARU ... Sunday, 10th Jan.

SHANGHAI, KOBE &amp; YOKOHAMA.

IIMA MARU ... Saturday, 26th Dec.

KASHIMA MARU ... Tuesday, 29th Dec.

ARITA MARU ... Wednesday, 30th Dec.

HAKONE MARU ... Tuesday, 12th Jan.

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Loading for Mauritius, Delagoa Bay, Durban, East London, Algoa Bay, Port Elizabeth, Mossel Bay &amp; Capetown.

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## CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

On Friday, the 25th inst. and Saturday, the 26th inst. the G.P.O. and  
Branch Post Offices will be open as follows:—  
Friday, 25th inst. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday 8 a.m. to noon.  
Branch Post Offices will be open on Friday, 25th inst. from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and  
on Saturday, 26th inst. from 8 a.m. to noon.

Wantsai, Sheungwan, Saiyokpan and Yauwatti Branches—8 a.m. to  
5 p.m. each day.

There will be one collection from the pillar boxes and one delivery of  
ordinary correspondence each day as on Sundays, and also one delivery of  
registered correspondence each day at 9 a.m.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed during the Holidays.  
Postage stamps should be affixed in the right-hand top corner of  
address side of all postal articles.

The Radio Service has reverted to normal hours of working.  
General Post Office hours at Radio Counter, Main Hall, at all other times  
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## OUR VOLUNTEERS.

## LATEST CORPS ORDERS.

Volunteer Defence Corps Orders,  
issued by Lieut-Col L. G. Bird,  
D.S.O., are as follows:

## Mounted Infantry Company.

Mounted Infantry Company will  
carry out a Tactical Ride and Re-  
connaissance on the Frontier on  
Sunday, 27th January, 1926. A full  
attendance is expected.

Dress: Field Service uniform  
with rifles.

Assembly: Jockey Club Stables  
at Kwai, at 12 noon.

Members to catch the 10.30 a.m.  
train from Kowloon, arriving at  
Fanning at 11.18 a.m. where they  
will transfer to the branch line  
train leaving at 11.30 a.m.

Ponies: Strict instructions have  
been issued to the grooms in  
charge of the Mounted Infantry  
ponies that ponies are not to be  
ridden by anyone other than the  
owner of the pony, unless a writ-  
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Groom signed by the owner of the  
pony giving permission. Members  
must adhere to this rule.

On Field Days or Parades which  
are ordered by O.C. Mounted In-  
fantry Co., ponies will, of course,  
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Reserve Company.

The Miniature Range at Corps  
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are ordered by O.C. Mounted In-  
fantry Co., ponies will, of course,  
be allotted to members without  
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ing same.

Reserve Company.

The Miniature Range at Corps  
Headquarters is at the disposal of  
the Reserve Company at 5.30 p.m.

Members to catch the 10.30 a.m.  
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## on Tuesday, 29th December.

The following is extracted from  
the Hongkong Government Gazette  
dated 18th December, 1925:—

"H.E. the Governor has been  
pleased to appoint Captain H.  
B. L. Dowbiggin, Hongkong  
Volunteer Defence Corps, to act  
as his Honorary Aide-de-Camp,  
with effect from the 11th  
December, 1925."

## Strength.

The following are taken on the  
strength, as from 21st December,  
1925, and posted as under:—

No. 1000 Pte. B. A. de Pass,  
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## Reversions.

The following Acting Banks re-  
vert to their substantive ranks, as  
from 21st December, 1925:—

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No. 458 A/C.S.M. R. H. G.  
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of Sergeant.

No. 420 A/Serjt. G. W. Sewell,  
reverts to the rank of Corp.

No. 512 A/Serjt. A. Forsyth, re-  
verts to the rank of Lance-  
Corporal.

No. 340 Corp. J. P. Bridger,  
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